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1. STRONGLY WORDED LETTER DATED JULY 4 FROM KING HASSAN TO CHIEF OF STATE FRANCO PUBLISHED IN SEMI-OFFICIAL PRESS HERE JULY 6. LETTER OBJECTED TO SPANISH DECISION, AS LEARNED IN MEETING BETWEEN FONMIN CORTINA AND GOM AMBASSADOR, TO UNDERTAKE QUOTE NEW POLICY IN THE SAHARA WHICH IT ADMINISTERS UNQUOTE. IF THIS TRUE, SAYS LETTER, DETERIORATION OF RELATIONS WILL FOLLOW. LETTER GOES ON TO SAY QUOTE ANY UNILATERAL ACTION UNDERTAKEN BY SPAIN IN SAHARA TERRITORY WILL OBLIGE US TO PRESERVE OUR LEGITIMATE RIGHTS. MY GOVERNMENT AND MYSELF RESERVE THE RIGHT TO TAKE ACTION IN RESPONSE UNQUOTE.

MESSAGE ALSO REFERS TO MOROCCAN DESIRE TO MAINTAIN FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND BELIEF THAT AS NEIGHBORS, THE TWO NATIONS MUST SEEK TO AVOID MISUNDERSTANDING AND CONFLICT.

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